reported by the State Government is as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-2001	
	AR	UR	AR	UR	AR	UR
SCA TO TSP	5911.9	5000.0	5698.3	7660.1	5188.44	931.72
Art. 275(1)	514.0	514.0	1027.9	1027.9	2957.1	792.7

A.R. —Amount Released

U. R. — Utilisation Reported

(c) and (b) Although there appears to be a delay in utilization of funds, mainly on account of delay in actual release of funds by the State Governments to their implementing agencies, completion of procedural requirements, etc. as per reports of the State Governments, funds released have been utilized, meaning thereby that development programmes have been completed. Constant efforts are made to ensure timely utilization of funds by the States.

Construction of hostels for SC/ST students in Himachal Pradesh

3016. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the places in Himachal Pradesh where hostels for Girls and Boys belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes have been constructed by Government during the years 1998-1999, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001;

(b) the sources of finance and amount spent on construction of each hostel, location-wise;

(c) the total number of rooms constructed in each hostel with services provided in each including formalities to be undertaken to get accommodation in these hostels; and

(d) the places identified where such hostels are to be constructed during the current and next financial year, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) to (c) The scheme of Boys and Girls Hostels for SCs and STs are Centrally sponsored schemes. As per the schemes, the State Government have to bear 50% matching share for construction of Hostels and the remaining 50% of cost of construction is provided by the Central Government. The details regarding the number of Hostels sanctioned for SCs and STs (for both Boys and Girls), their locations,

number of seats and amount of Central Share released by the Central Government during the years of 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are as under:—

Boys Hostels for STs

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Location	Amt. Released	No. of seats
1998-99	H.P. University, Shimla	100.00	200 students
1999-00	Degree College, Solan	43.61	60 students
1999-00	Govt. Degree College, Dhramshala Distt. Kangara	43.61	60 students
2000-01	—	—	—

Boys Hostels for SCs

No hostels for SCs was sanctioned during these years.

Girls hostels for STs (Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Location	Amt. Released	No. of seats
1998-99	—	—	—
1999-00	Govt. Degree College, Reckang Peo	36.29	60 students
1999-00	Govt. Degree College, Dhramshala Distt. Kangra	43.61	60 students
2000-01	—	—	—

Girls hostels for SCs (Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Location	Amt. Released	No. of seats
1998-99	Portmore School	40.63	50 students
1999-00	—	—	—
2000-01	Manel, Karseg Distt. Mandi	51.68	60 students

Generally, each room in a Hostel is to accommodate two inmates. The hostels so constructed also contain provisions/facilities for kitchen, dining and toilet etc., as per designs prepared by State PWD. However, the details of accommodating students and other formalities in this regard are regulated by

the State Government concerned.

(d) The proposals are prepared and submitted by the State Government in every financial year. The locations of the Hostels are also decided by the State Government. So far one 90 seated SC Boys Hostels has been sanctioned during the year 2001-2002 at Govt. Degree College, Nalagarh, Distt. Solan and an amount of Rs. 60.13 lakhs has been sanctioned as Central Share.

Development of tribal areas

3017. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount Government spent on the development of tribal areas in the country during the last three years, area-wise; and

(b) whether there is any mechanism to ensure the intended impact of the development programmes on monitoring of such programmes?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The details of the funds released by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs to the States/UTs during the last three years State-wise and year-wise for implementation of various schemes for welfare and development of tribals are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). The release of funds is made for the State/UT as a whole and is not area specific.

(b) All efforts are made to ensure that the funds released by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs are utilized by the States for the purpose intended and the benefits reach the target groups. The measures taken to monitor timely and purposeful utilization of the funds released to the State Governments include—

(i) Insistence on prompt release of funds by the Finance Department of the State to the Tribal Welfare Department/executing department.

(ii) Insistence on timely submission of progress reports at prescribed periodic intervals.

(iii) Insistence on timely submission of utilisation Certificates in respect of funds released earlier and suspension of further releases in the absence of U.Cs.

(iv) Vigorously pursuing with the State Governments through formal letters, fax messages, personal contact on telephone and other means to initiate timely action for formulation of proposals and submission to the Ministry complete in all respects for release of funds during the early part